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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR A SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM), will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on its tentative decision to issue a solid waste disposal facility **major permit modification** to Smith County for construction, operation, closure, and post-closure care of a lateral and vertical extension to the existing landfill, Smith County, Class I SNL 80-0227, located in Smith County at Landfill Road off of State Highway 25, north of Carthage, for the disposal of domestic wastes, commercial wastes, institutional wastes, municipal solid wastes, bulky wastes, landscaping and land clearing wastes, industrial wastes, construction/demolition wastes, farming wastes, shredded automotive tires, dead animals, and special wastes.

The hearing, which is being scheduled in response to public comment received to date by DSWM, will be held on Tuesday, August 29, 2006 in 2nd floor courtroom, Smith County Courthouse, 211 Main Street N., Carthage, TN. From 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. CDT, citizens are invited to inspect and discuss the permit application, draft permit, fact sheet, plans, and other materials with the DSWM and with representatives of the applicant. There will be an opportunity for public comments to be recorded or written and submitted from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The formal hearing will begin at 7:00 p.m. The DSWM will explain its tentative decision to issue the permit, after which the applicant's representative will describe the proposed facility. DSWM will then receive oral comments on the draft permit from the public.

The facility, identified as SNL 80-0227, is located near Carthage, Smith County, on Landfill Road (off of State Highway 25), Tennessee (latitude N 3616'2.01" / longitude W 8556'11.63"). No hazardous wastes, as regulated by the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act (Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-212-101, et. seq.) and the Rules adopted pursuant to the Act, shall be accepted for disposal at this facility. The official responsible for operation of the facility is Michael Nesbitt, Smith County Mayor, 122 Turner High Circle, Carthage, TN 37030, telephone: 615-735-2294.

Following an in-depth review of the application, DSWM has made a preliminary determination that this proposal meets the applicable requirements of Tennessee Rule Chapter 1200-1-7, Solid Waste Processing and Disposal. **However, due to the volume of public comment received during the designated comment period, which ended on July 17, 2006, a public hearing will be held to further consider this decision.** It is the present intent of DSWM, pending consideration of any contrary technical information received during the hearing, that this permit be issued. The public comment period has been extended, accordingly, to September 28, 2006.

The public is also invited to submit comments in writing to: Mr. Mike Apple, Division of Solid Waste Management, 5th Floor, L&C Tower, 401 Church Street, Nashville, TN 37243-1535; telephone: 615-532-0780. Comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. CDT on Thursday, September 28, 2006, to assure consideration. After considering all public comments, the DSWM Director will issue a final permit decision and a Response to Comments, which can be viewed at the Smith County Library or at the DSWM Field Office in Cookeville, Tennessee.

If you wish to review the data for this proposal or obtain further information prior to the hearing, please contact the DSWM at the TDEC Cookeville Environmental Field Office, 1221 South Willow Avenue, Cookeville, TN 38501, telephone: 931-432-4015. A copy of the data on this proposal may also be viewed at the Smith County Public Library, 215 North Main Street, Carthage, TN 37030, telephone: 615-735-1326.

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Persons who wish to be on the Division of Solid Waste Management's mailing list should obtain a Mailing List Request form by calling or writing the Public Participation Officer, Division of Solid Waste Management, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, 5th Floor, L & C Tower, 401 Church Street, Nashville TN 37243-1535, telephone: (615) 532-0798, email: solid.waste@state.tn.us.